Staff strength in organisations under the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism

3330. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the staff strength of the International Airports Authority of India, Helicopter Corporation of India, Directorate General of Civil Aviation, National Airports Authority, Indira Gandhi Rishtriya Uran Akademi, Vayudoot Ltd., the Directorate of Civil Aviation Security and the Hotel Corporation of India, respectively;

(b) whether Government's policy of reservations is applicable there; and

(c) if so, what is the number and percentage of SC/STs in each of them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) The staff strength and number of SCs/STs and their percentage in each of these organisations is as under:—

Name of Organisation	Staff Strength	Number of SCs	%age	Number of STs	%age
International Airports Authority of India	5864	1476	25.17	212	3.62
Pawan Hans Limited (erstwhile H.C.T.)	577	31	5.37	2	0.34
Directorate General of Civil Aviation	549	112	20.40	29	5.28
National Airports Authority	9114	1994	21.87	165	1.81
Indira Gandhi Rishtriya Uran Akademi	194	18	9.28	4	2.06
Vayudoot Limited	1028	50	4.86	6	0.58
Bureau of Civil Aviation Security	233	16	6.86	2	0.86
Hotel Corporation of India	3969	1054	26.55	174	4.38

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) As in (a) above.

Engaging of an American Public relations company by India

3331. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are engaging a leading American public relations company known for its' capacity to lobby both in-side and out-side the U.S. Congress; if so, on what terms and conditions and what functions would be assigned to it; and

(b) whether senior officials of the Ministry of External Affairs visited Washington in this connection; if so, the progress made in this regard;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (PROF. K. K. TEWARI): (a) and (b) Senior officials of the External Affairs Ministry visited Washington recently to assess the steps required to optimise the projection of Government's policies in the United States. The officials' report has yet to be considered by Government and no decisions, in this context, have been taken.

Recommendations of Luthra Committee

3332. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that persons in Class III Non-Gazetted and Class II Gazetted posts, on conversion to Class I Gazetted post on implementation of the recommendations of Luthra Committee submitted in 1977 in Polytechnic under Delhi Ad-